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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20541

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POLICY & PLANNING

Honorable Peter T. King

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We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land
mobile radio spectrum and P/C holders. We will therefore take into

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RE: FCC Docket Proposal 92-235

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Dear Mr. King

I am writing you to express my opposition to a proposal under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission which, if implemented, would seriously affect the safety of an activity I have enjoyed since my childhood.

Ever since my earliest recollection I have had an intense fascination with aviation in general, and with building and flying radio controlled model aircraft in particular. The model aircraft we fly via radio control aren't toys by any means, which seems to be a popular misconception. They are highly sophisticated miniature replicas of their full scale counterparts and possess, in many instances, higher performance than the originals they are modeled from. These aircraft along with their radio equipment can range in price from a few hundred dollars to several thousand dollars and represent a labor investment of several hundred hours.

The most crucial requirement for reliable as well as safe operation of these aircraft is a secure range of radio frequencies, or channels, allocated exclusively for radio control useage. Up until now the FCC has provided such an allocation of secure channels but this may change if their docket proposal (PR Docket 92-235) is implemented.

In order to maintain precise control over our aircraft we must operate in an interference-free environment. If any other user is allowed to operate on channels assigned for radio control use, the operator of the model will lose control. This will present a hazardous situation which could result in property damage, serious injury, even death, to say nothing of the attendant liability and litigation which would be sure to follow. We, as responsible modeling enthusiasts, go to great lengths to assure the safety of our operators, spectators as well as protection of property.

Let me briefly discuss our problem with the pending proposal by the FCC. The FCC is planning to increase the number of frequency slots available to users in the land-mobile band by narrowing their bandwidth and rearranging the band format. This change of format will move the new slots ~~dangerously close~~ the channels allocated exclusively for radio control use.

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The attached communication is submitted for your consideration, and to ask that the request made therein be complied with, if possible.

If you will advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me with your reply, I will appreciate it.

Very Truly yours,

Peter T. King

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Third, New York

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